

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Takamasa Iwaki et al.
Serial No.: 10/539,870
Filed : December 5, 2005
For : Floor Mat and Small Animal Rearing Cage
Examiner: Son T. Nguyen
Art Unit: 3643

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is being submitted in response to the Office Action dated November 28, 2008 for which a shortened statutory period of three months ending February 28, 2009 was set in which to respond and for which to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), a two month extension, ending April 28, 2009 is hereby requested, the following amendments and comments are submitted and reconsideration of the claim rejections is respectfully submitted.

The fee of two hundred forty five dollars (\$245.00) for extending the time for a response within the second month after the original response date, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2) is being paid concurrently with the electronic filing of this response.

Applicants submit that in view of the electronic filing of this response, the response is timely.

Listing/Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.